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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Santa Cruz Route 17 Drainage Improvement

Lead Agency: Caltrans

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Project Location: near Scotts Valley, Santa Cruz County
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

Caltrans proposes to replace or repair 13 drainage culverts between post miles 0.0 and 12.5 on State Route 17 in Santa Cruz County. Multiple culvert structures within the project limits are in various states of disrepair and, if not addressed, could lead to failure or damage to the roadway along State Route 17. The project would repair or replace culverts that have deteriorated due to age and would not construct new culverts at new locations. Additionally, improvements to drainage systems would help to minimize the discharge of sediment into the San Lorenzo River watershed. Reducing the sediment load in the receiving waters of the San Lorenzo River watershed will allow Caltrans to comply with a regulatory order called a sedimentation/siltation Total Maximum Daily Load, which is imposed and enforced by the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The project would have no effect on Land Use and Planning, Mineral Resources, Population and Housing, Public Services, Recreation, and Tribal Cultural Resources.
In addition, the project would have less than significant effects on Agriculture and Forest Resources, Aesthetics, Air Quality, Cultural Resources, Energy, Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Noise, Transportation, Utilities and Service Systems, and Wildfire.
With the following mitigation measures intended to protect jurisdictional areas including requirements for replanting all trees removed from jurisdictional areas at a 3-to-1 ratio, restoration of areas temporarily impacted at a 1-to-1 acreage ratio, and restoration of permanently impacted jurisdictional areas at a 3-to-1 acreage ratio incorporated in addition to other avoidance and minimization measures, the proposed project would have less than significant effects on Biological Resources.
With the adoption of a Paleontological Mitigation Plan as a mitigation measure to address any potential paleontological discoveries during original ground disturbance involving sensitive geologic formations at post mile locations 8.2 and 10.6, the proposed project would have less than significant effects on Paleontological Resources.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

None

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service—Ventura Office

U.S. Department of Commerce; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; National Marine Fisheries Service—West Coast Region

Department of the Army; San Francisco District, Corps of Engineers; Regulatory Division

California Department of Fish and Wildlife; Bay Delta Region 3

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

California Transportation Commission